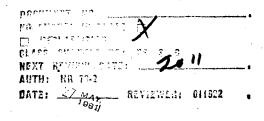
Extract from EGNA 123, 26 September 1952. Subject: BfV's awareness of clandestine American activities in Germany.

RADKE (BfV official), with a quizzical look on his face, recently asked me what I knew about the recruiting of German radio operators. When he saw my astonishment he continued to explain that the BfV had definite knowledge about certain efforts being made to recruit former Germany army "Funker" to receive training as stay-behind radio operators. Both RADKE and I are aware of each other's former ZIPPER connections and we frequently exchange confidences on ZIPPER activities and personalities which are not generally known at the BfV. I, therefore, asked RADKE if he thought that ZIPPER might be primarily engaged in this recruiting drive. He replied that undoubtedly ZIPPER was involved in this business but that he had also heard of direct American recruiting attempts. All I could say is that this was all news to me and that I would look into the matter.



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